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Thirty-ninth program in the Sesquicentennial Year of The University of Michigan

The Land of Smiles

(Das Land des Lächelns)

A Romantic Operetta

Music by FRANZ LEHAR

Production of E. & V. Grabowsky and the *Theater An Der Wien*Libretto by Victor Leon

Adaptation by Ludwig Herzer and Fritz Loehner

with

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Staging

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Musical Direction
Heinz Lambrecht

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FELIX SMETANA

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Bernadette Grabowsky

Monday Evening, September 25, 1967, at 8:30 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Michigan

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LONGA

VITA

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CAST

(in order of appearance)

Count Ferdinand Lichtenfels Lisa, his daughter Count Gustav von Pottenstein

Prince Sou Chong A General A Servant The English guests:

Lore, niece of Count Lichtenfels

Frau von Cserny Sissy, Lisa's friend Mi, the Prince's sister Tschang, his uncle The Master of Ceremonies

The Chief Eunuch, guard of the Harem

A Temple Guard

WERNER KARMANN VALORIE GOODALL KARL WEBER

GIUSEPPE DI STEFANO ANTON STANGELBERGER CARL GUENTHER SHEILA HARMS

MICHAEL HARNISH MELANIE HOENIGL ELEONORE WYBORSKI MARGARETH VOGEL DAGMAR KOLLER THEO BAYLE PETER RASCH EDUARD LINKERS ANDREAS POGANY

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT I

Palace of Count Lichtenfels in Vienna

INTERMISSION

ACT II

Scene 1: Entrance Hall of Prince Sou Chong's Palace in Peking

Scene 2: A Room in the Palace Scene 3: Temple of the Palace

SHORT INTERMISSION

ACT III

Scene 1: Lisa's Boudoir

Scene 2: Temple of the Palace

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

KaiserwalzerBallet Ensemble by Johann Strauss Heut, meine Herr'n war ein TagLISA and Guests Friends, What a Day This Has Been Freunderl, mach dir nix drausLISA and GUSTL Don't Take it Ill, My Friend Immer nur laechelinSou Chong Smiling at All Times Bei einem Tee a DeuxLISA and Sou CHONG This Tea for Two With You BALLET SUITEBallet Ensemble Wir sind alleinLISA and Sou Chong Alone Again

Lisa, lovely daughter of Count Lichtenfels, is honored at a party for winning a riding contest in Gay old Vienna. Among her many admirers is Count Gustav, known as Gustl, who loves her. Being charmed by Prince Sou Chong, also at the party, she doesn't accept Gustl's proposal. She and the oriental Prince have a rendezvous; there he learns he has been named Prime Minister of China and must leave immediately. He confesses his layer for Linear her party fall that must leave immediately. He confesses his love for Lisa; she agrees to follow him there, despite parental and friendly warnings.

ACT II

| Chinesisches Maerchen | Ballet Ensemble |
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| Ich rufe dich, Sou Chong I Call Upon You, Prince Sou Chong | |
| Wer hat die Liebe uns ins Herz gesenkt | Sou Chong and Lisa |
| Im Salon zur blaun Pagode | Мт |
| Meine Liebe, deine Liebe Love For Me and Love For You | MI and GUSTL |
| Dein ist mein ganzes Herz | Sou Chong |
| Ich moecht' wieder einmal die Heimat seh'n To See my Distant Fatherland Again | LISA |
| Ich bin dein Herr | Sou Chong and Lisa |
| Yours Is My Heart Alone | Sou Chong |
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The romantic "East and West" couple are very happy in his "land of smiles"—China, 1912—until the Prince's uncle says he must marry according to their ancient custom: four wives and each a Chinese princess. Mi, the Prince's sister, has become fond of Lisa; she even adopts her western dress which displeases her uncle. To be near Lisa, Gustl managed to secure a diplomatic post to the Chinese court; but on meeting Mi, they fall in love. The Prince yields to state pressure and hopes Lisa will remain with him as he considers the marriages a mere formality. He sings to her the hit song of the show: "Yours Is My Heart Alone." But Lisa, a European, can't accept his offer; she realizes their customs are too different, and she must go away despite their love; but the Prince forbids her to leave the palace.

ACT III

| Wenn der Tag erwacht Lisa When Day Is Awakening |
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| Von Apfelblueten einen Kranz |
| Zig, Zig, ZigMI and GUSTL |
| Ein Lied wollt'ich von Seligkeiten singen |
| Wie rasch verwelkte doch das kleine Bluemchen Glueck |
| Liebes SchwesterleinSou Chong and MI |

Gustl, coming to Lisa's rescue, helps her plan an escape from the guarded palace. Mi is brought into the plot and she joins them despite her love for Gustl. She makes the sacrifice to help her good friend Lisa. As the Viennese couple try to escape via a secret exit in a Buddhist temple, they are halted by palace guards. The Prince breaks down when he realizes she is desperate to return to her homeland; he sadly gives her permission, though he still loves her. The Prince and his sister Mi seek consolation in an old Chinese poem that begins with the lines, "It is our destiny: Smiling at all times..."

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Alternates for "The Land of Smiles":

Prince Sou Chong—Joanis Anifantakis; Lisa—Sheila Harms or Linda Janke; Count Gustav von Pottenstein—Carl Guenther; Mi—Margareth Vogel; Tschang—Peter Rasch.

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